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Please amend the claims of the application as set out in the following Section I (Amendments to the Claims).

Please amend the drawings of the application as set out in the following Section II (Amendments to the Drawings).

Remarks addressing the substance of the June 2, 2005 Office Action are set out in the Section III (Remarks) hereof.